



## **CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS**

Kimberley Driscoll  
Mayor

Office of the Mayor

September 24, 2020

Honorable Salem City Council  
Salem City Hall  
Salem, Massachusetts 01970

Ladies and Gentlemen of the City Council:

I would like to request the opportunity to address you at your meeting of September 24<sup>th</sup> to provide the public and the City Council with an update on the City's plans for the month of October. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Kimberley Driscoll  
Mayor  
City of Salem



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Ladies and Gentlemen of the City Council:

Enclosed herewith is a request to accept the following donation of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$13,500.00) to contribute to the planting of new trees in the City in accordance with the Salem Tree Ordinance sec. 43-32. These funds will be deposited into the City's Tree Donation Fund 23301-4830.

In order to accept the donation approval must be given by both the Mayor and City Council. I ask that the members of the City Council join with me in accepting these funds to be used towards the City's Tree Donation Fund.

Very truly yours,  
*Kimberley Driscoll*

Kimberley Driscoll  
Mayor



# CITY OF SALEM

In City Council,

Ordered:

September 24, 2020

To accept the donation from Nova Construction & Remodeling, Inc. in the amount of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$13,500.00) to contribute to the planting of new trees in the City in accordance with the Salem Tree Ordinance sec. 43-32. These funds will be deposited into the City's Tree Donation Fund 23301-4830 in accordance with the recommendation of Her Honor the Mayor.



KIMBERLEY DRISCOLL  
MAYOR

DAVID KNOWLTON P.E.  
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICES

# CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS

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September 11, 2020

Mayor Kimberley Driscoll  
City Hall  
93 Washington Street  
Salem, Massachusetts 01970

Dear Mayor Driscoll:

I would like to request that the enclosed donation from **Nova Construction & Remodeling, Inc.** in the amount of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$13,500) to be deposited into the following revenue account for

Fund Name: Tree Donation Fund  
Fund Number: 2330  
Obj/Org: 23301-4830

The Purpose of this donation is to plant new trees in the City and replace of the lost tree canopy on an inch for inch basis in accordance with the Salem Tree Ordinance sec. 43-32.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David Knowlton", is written over a horizontal line.

David Knowlton P.E.  
Director of Public Services



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Kimberley Driscoll  
Mayor

Office of the Mayor

September 24, 2020

Salem City Council  
City Hall  
93 Washington Street  
Salem, MA 01970

Ladies and Gentlemen of the City Council:

In 1977, a delegation of Native Nations first proposed the declaration of Indigenous Peoples Day to the United Nations International Conference on Discrimination against Indigenous Populations in the Americas. Over the decades, more and more states and municipalities have taken this action in recognition of the indelible legacy and contributions of indigenous peoples of these lands.

This year, 394 years after the first Europeans arrived in the land then called Naumkeag, I am pleased to present the attached Resolution to designate the second Monday in October each year as Indigenous Peoples Day in the City of Salem. This measure has been co-sponsored by many other members of our community and organizations, each listed on the Resolution itself.

Here in Salem we are taking the first steps in better recognizing the too-long obscured history of the Indigenous Peoples who lived on this land for centuries before Europeans first arrived. Last year we began the process to commission a new portrait for City Hall of an Indigenous individual, which will be, when complete, the only portrait of a non-White person in our City Hall. Land Acknowledgement statements, drafted with input from representatives of the Massachusetts tribe and experts from the Peabody Essex Museum, are now displayed at City Hall and City Hall Annex, shortly, the Jonathan Corwin House and Pioneer Village.

Our Public Art Commission is developing plans for installations commemorating and celebrating the Indigenous Peoples of Naumkeag. Our new Race Equity Task Force will help us identify actions we can take as a community to more equitably approach City services, education, health and public safety when it comes to our current Black and Indigenous residents, and other persons of color. And, as we prepare for Salem 400 – our City's quadricentennial in 2026 – a key theme will be a focus on the years preceding the European arrival on these shores.

This Resolution is a part of a long overdue process of recognizing, acknowledging, and celebrating the contributions and culture of the people who lived and passed through Naumkeag for millennia before 1626. Language for the Resolution began development weeks ago and was created in consultation with representatives of the Massachusetts Tribe at Ponkapoag and the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Nation, as well as historians and experts from Salem State University and the Peabody Essex Museum.

On behalf of the many co-sponsors of this measure, I encourage adoption of the enclosed Resolution and invite you to join us on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, in celebrating and commemorating our first Indigenous Peoples Day in Salem.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kimberley Driscoll". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name and last name clearly distinguishable.

Kimberley Driscoll  
Mayor  
City of Salem



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**In City Council, September 24, 2020**

### **Resolved**

### **A RESOLUTION DECLARING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY**

**WHEREAS** the land that is today called the City of Salem was, for millennia before the arrival of Europeans here in 1626, called Naumkeag, or *fishing place* by the Massachusetts peoples who lived here and called this place home; and

**WHEREAS** Nanepashemet and many other Massachusetts Tribal leaders led their people from Naumkeag and the surrounding areas for millennia; and

**WHEREAS** Salem recognizes, values, and celebrates the many contributions made to our community, our Commonwealth, and our country by Indigenous Peoples' now and throughout our history; and

**WHEREAS** Indigenous Peoples of this region and throughout this nation suffered and endured egregious acts of cruelty, exploitation, dispossession, enslavement and genocide; and

**WHEREAS** Salem today is a community that celebrates and welcomes everyone, is dedicated to pursuing equity and justice, and is committed to policies and practices that seek to undo systemic racism and discrimination;

**THEREFORE** we, the undersigned hereby acknowledge that Salem is Indigenous land, honor the resilience, survivance, and continuity of the Indigenous Peoples of our nation, and declare and recognize the second Monday of October of this year and for all years henceforth to be Indigenous Peoples Day in the City of Salem. We call upon all residents of Salem to recognize and commemorate this occasion accordingly by reflecting on the legacy of the first peoples of this land, celebrating their contributions, and acknowledging the injustices suffered by them since 1626.

Kimberley Driscoll  
Mayor, City of Salem

Christine Madore  
City Councillor, Ward 2

Joan Lovely  
State Senator, Second Essex District

Robert McCarthy  
City Councillor, Ward 1

Paul Tucker  
State Representative, Seventh Essex District

Patricia Morsillo  
City Councillor, Ward 3

Conrad Prosniewski  
City Councillor, At-Large

Megan Riccardi  
City Councillor, Ward 6

Josh Turiel  
City Councillor, Ward 5  
Amanda Campbell  
Member, Salem School Committee

Manny Cruz  
Member, Salem School Committee

Mary A. Manning  
Member, Salem School Committee

Ana Nuncio  
Member, Salem School Committee, Latino  
Leadership Coalition, and Salem League of  
Women Voters

Kristin Pangallo  
Member, Salem School Committee

Shimon Avish  
Treasurer, Salem No Place for Hate  
Committee

Sean Bennett  
Member, Salem Race Equity Task Force and  
No Place for Hate Committee

Jeff Cohen  
Co-Chair, Salem No Place for Hate  
Committee

Emily Cooper  
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Susan Edwards  
Archivist and Special Collections Librarian,  
Salem State University

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Universalist

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Acting Chief of Police, City of Salem

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The Peabody Essex Museum  
Salem Historical Society  
Salem No Place for Hate Committee  
Salem Sound Coastwatch  
Voices Against Injustice